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Group Art Unit: 3623
Examiner: Jonathan G. Sterret

In Re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Applicants: Ming-Chung TANG et al

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For: METHOD FOR QUALITY OF SERVICE
CONTROLLABLE REAL-TIME
SCHEDULING

Atty. ref.: SUND 256

**RESPONSE TO
ELECTION/RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

July 7, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Election Requirement dated June 7, 2006, applicant provisionally elects Invention IV, i.e., the subject matter of claims 32-49, and 62-76, for further examination. The election is made with traverse.

The basis of the traversal was discussed by the undersigned attorney for the applicant with the Examiner during a telephone conference on July 5, 2006. At that time the undersigned pointed out that the claims directed to what the Examiner characterized as invention I (claims 1-15 and 50-61) and invention IV (claims 32-49, and 62-76) in fact recited such similar subject matter that was similarly classified (e.g. both classified in class 705, subclass 9), that it would not be burdensome for the Examiner to examine both sets of claims. As a result upon consideration, the Examiner agreed to withdraw the distinction in the requirement as between inventions I and IV, so that if invention IV were elected, the claims to invention I would be examined as well. The undersigned wishes to thank the Examiner for his kindness and helpfulness during the telephone conference.

Examination of the claims to inventions I and IV (claims 1-15 and 32-76) on the merits respectfully is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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